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Remarks

Reconsideration and allowance of the above referenced application are respectfully requested.

Initially, the indication that claims 16-20 are allowable other than double patenting issues is appreciatively noted. A terminal disclaimer is filed herewith in order to obviate the rejection under 35 USC 101.

Claim 12 stands rejected under 35 USC 103 as allegedly being unpatentable over Lin, et al. This contention, however, is respectfully traversed. The rejection admits that Lin, et al. does not teach or suggest the specific claimed alloy in claim 12. Moreover, the detailed description describes how the specific alloy, also referred to as "A3" has specifically advantageous characteristics. The second paragraph of the detailed description describes how this has a good glass forming ability, and excellent thermal stability. The reasons are described in the fourth paragraph, of the detailed description. An important feature, also described in this fourth paragraph is the "effect of small variations in composition within the high order quinary." The specific alloy of A3 was found to produce significant advantages. Nowhere is there any teaching or suggestion of such advantages in Lin, et al.

While the specific claimed alloy might be similar to that

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described in Lin, et al., nothing in the cited prior art would in any way teach or suggest any way to enable this specific alloy to be selected. Therefore, and with all due respect, claim 12 is not obvious over the cited prior art and should be allowable thereover.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. Applicant

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believes no fee is due, however, please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfylly submitted,

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